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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Deputy Director for Administration

Director of Public Affairs Special Assistant to the DCI

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FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Telephone Conversation with Mr. Clark Clifford

re CIA Guest Speaker Invitation

- 1. Mr. Clark Clifford called me on 1 September 1978. He accepted our invitation to speak on 10 October. I agreed to have a car pick him up at his office at 2:10 p.m. Please put a security man in the car to go up into the office at 2:00 p.m., and be available to escort him to the car and bring him out to the Agency. He will meet with me at my office between then and the talk at 3:00 p.m.
- 2. He is going to call me a week ahead of time to talk about what he is going to say and to ask for my suggestions.
  - a. Basically he thinks he wants to talk about the beginning of the CIA, his own experience with President Truman, and why President Truman insisted on having a CIA. Basically this was because Truman felt that if we'd had just a central intelligence-gathering place we would have avoided Pearl Harbor.
  - b. He will then talk about how the organization grew and where it should be going.
- 3. I would like to review my letter to him about a week ahead of time so that I am ready to talk.
- 4. Frank, Herb and George: What are your suggestions as to how to point Mr. Clifford?

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